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Section 8 – Proposed Reorganization for Convenience Standard, with CSA language

D. The service convenience goal for the standard stewardship plan and any independent stewardship plan is a system of drop-off sites distributed to provide reasonably convenient and equitable access for all residents in incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county, to achieve:

1. In establishing and operating a product stewardship plan, a producer, group of producers or stewardship organization shall give preference to having retail pharmacies and law enforcement agencies serve as drop-off sites, and shall include, as collectors, any retail pharmacy or any law enforcement agency willing voluntarily to serve as a drop-off site for unwanted covered drugs and able to meet the requirements of this chapter. A producer or group of producers establishing and operating a product stewardship plan may also accept other collectors willing to serve as a drop-off site for unwanted covered drugs and able to meet the requirements of this chapter. ~~Drop-off sites shall accept covered drugs from covered entities during all hours that the retail pharmacy, law enforcement agency, or other collector is normally open for business with the public. Drop-off sites shall utilize secure drop boxes in compliance with all applicable requirements of the United States drug enforcement administration and the state of Washington board of pharmacy.~~

~~E. The service convenience goal for the standard stewardship plan and any independent stewardship plan is a system of drop-off sites distributed to provide reasonably convenient and equitable access for all residents in incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county, to achieve:~~

24. The system of drop-off sites shall provide in every city, ~~or town,~~ or unincorporated community service area with a pharmacy or law enforcement facility, at least one drop-off site and at least one additional drop-off site for every thirty thousand residents, geographically distributed to provide reasonably convenient and equitable access. ~~throughout the city; and~~

~~2. Throughout the county, a geographic distribution of drop-off sites to provide reasonably convenient and equitable access to residents of unincorporated areas of the county.~~

3. If the service convenience goal in subsections ~~1. and 2.~~ cannot be achieved by the standard stewardship plan or any independent stewardship plan due to a lack of drop-off sites at pharmacies, law enforcement agencies, or other qualified collectors in specific areas of the county, then those areas shall be served through periodic collection events or mail-back services, or a combination of these collection methods.

F. Drop-off sites shall accept covered drugs from covered entities during all hours that the retail pharmacy, law enforcement agency, or other collector is normally open for business with the public. Drop-off sites shall utilize secure drop boxes in compliance with all applicable requirements of the United States drug enforcement administration and the state of Washington board of pharmacy.

G. Mail-back services shall be made available to differentially-abled and home bound residents upon request through the stewardship plan's toll-free telephone number and web site, and through distribution of prepaid, preaddressed mailers to persons providing services to such residents; and may also be utilized as a collection method according to subsection E.

HG. Periodic collection events, if utilized as a collection method according to subsection E., must be arranged with law enforcement personnel through voluntary agreements, and shall be conducted in compliance with U.S. drug enforcement administration protocols, any additional requirements of participating law enforcement agencies, and in compliance with this chapter.